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1. EMBASSY WILL NOT RPT NOT BE ABLE TO COMPLETE
TYPING APPROXIMATELY 450 I-590 FORMS BY APRIL 16.
OUR BEST ESTIMATE IS THAT WE WILL BE ABLE TO
COMPLETE TYPING I-590 OR FS-510'S FOR 100 TO 150
INDIVIDUALS MAXIMUM BY APRIL 16. WE INTEND TO
CONCENTRATE FIRST ON THOSE CASES IN EAST MALAYSIA
(BORNEO). WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO COMPLETE TYPING
FOR AN ADDITIONAL 100-150 CASES ON EAST COAST BY
APRIL 25. THUS WE ESTIMATE INS OFFICER WOULD BE
ABLE TO INTERVIEW AND REACH FINAL DETERMINATION
FOR APPROXIMATELY 200-300 INDIVIDUALS, ASSUMING PRIOR
AMCROSS VERIFICATION REPLY NOT REQUIRED.

2. GIVEN THE CURRENT TIME FRAME, STAFFING AND
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LOGISTICAL PROBLEMS INVOLVED, EMB FEELS IT HIGHLY
UNLIKELY ANY REFUGEES COULD ARRIVE IN HONG KONG
IN TIME TO USE CE NUMBERS FOR APRIL QUOTA. THUS
INS MAY FIND IT MORE PRACTICAL TO DELAY TRIP TO
MALAYSIA UNTIL PROCESSING AND AMCROSS VERIFICATION
IS FURTHER ADVANCED.

3. HOWEVER, IF INS PREPARED TO RETURN IN A MONTH OR SO TO THE SAME CAMPS, EMB STILL FEELS VISIT NOW WOULD BE A USEFUL DEMONSTRATION OF OUR CONCERN AND INTENT.

4. IF AMCROSS VERIFICATION IS REQUIRED BEFORE INS DETERMINATION CAN BE MADE, VISIT NOW WOULD SERVE LITTLE PURPOSE. FYI - WE NOTE IN A NUMBER OF AMCROSS REPLIES THAT CLAIMED RELATIONSHIP IS OPEN TO QUESTION (E.G. COUSIN INSTEAD OF BROTHER) OR THAT CABLE CONTAINS OTHER PERTINENT INFO WHICH COULD ASSIST INS OFFICER IN REACHING ELIGIBILITY DETERMINATION. SOME REPLIES INDICATE THAT CLAIMED RELATIVE IN U.S. CANNOT BE LOCATED. WE HAVE RECEIVED REPLIES ON ABOUT 20 CASES OF ESTIMATED 40 SUBMITTED THUS FAR, AND ARE ATTEMPTING SUBMIT ADDITIONAL AMCROSS CABLES AS AVAILABILITY OF TYPISTS PERMITS, LIMITED BY OTHER TYPING REQUIREMENTS FOR FORMS I-590, FS-510, FALCON CABLES, ETC.

5. EMB HAS CONTACTED GOM RE POSSIBILITY OF USING REFUGEES (REF. E) AS INTERPRETERS. EMB AWAITING REPLY EXPECTED P.M. 4/13 OR A.M. 4/14. WILL ADVISE BY IMMEDIATE CABLE. IF REPLY IS NEGATIVE EMB FEELS ROSE WOULD BE EXCELLENT CHOICE FOR INTERPRETER.

6. EMB WILLING AND ABLE TO PROVIDE LOCAL EMPLOYEE WITH CHINESE-MALAY LANGUAGE CAPABILITY AND WITH CURRENT TRAVEL DOCUMENT.

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7. EMB WILL BE UNABLE TO PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION TO EAST COAST CAMPS. PREVIOUS CONOFFS HAVE EXPERIENCED NO PROBLEMS USING COMBINATION OF AIR TRAVEL AND LOCAL TAXIS.

8. PLEASE ADVISE ASAP IF INS OFFICER STILL INTENDS TO ARRIVE 4/16 SO THAT EMB CAN BEGIN MAKING ADMIN ARRANGEMENTS.
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